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Jane Williams Deputy Administrator Federal Transit Administration 1200 New Jersey Ave, SE Washington, D.C. 20590

Deputy Administrator Williams,

I'm writing today to inform you that the City of Poughkeepsie Common Council voted on Monday, December 5th to lease its bus assets to Dutchess County as required by the conditions of consolidation set by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). I appreciate your willingness to postpone the initial deadline, and your cooperation to ensure this issue is resolved swiftly without saddling the taxpayers of the City with a \$1.6 million penalty.

In light of Monday's Common Council vote on this issue, I request that you release the nearly \$600,000 in frozen reimbursement funds owed to the city for its operation of the bus system in 2015-2016. I also believe this should protect the city from incurring the \$1.6 million penalty.

I appreciate your immediate attention to this issue, and offer my services if you require additional clarification or assistance.

Sincerely,

Sean Patrick Maloney Member of Congress